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RE: WC Docket No. 04-36; WC Docket 05-196

Dear Mr. Chairman:

APCO International strongly supports the Commission's ongoing efforts to ensure that VoIP services provide 9-1-1 capability across the nation by November 28. As VoIP services proliferate, it is essential that they provide their customers with the ability to call 9-1-1 and reach a trained call-taker at the appropriate PSAP.

On October 7, AT&T submitted a letter to the Commission outlining its plans to comply with the FCC requirements for its VoIP service offering. APCO International supports AT&T's proactive solution. We are particularly pleased that AT&T has agreed not to offer new VoIP services, and to block "nomadic" service, in areas in which it does not have 9-1-1 capability. The AT&T plan also includes incentives for it to expand 9-1-1 capability in all areas in which it currently has registered users.

We applaud the Commission's attention to this critical issue, and are pleased that AT&T is moving forward to ensure that all of its customers have 9-1-1 capability. We urge all VoIP providers to take similar steps.

Respectfully submitted,

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